THE HON'BLE Ms. JUSTICE G. ROHINI

WRIT PETITION No.16688 OF 2007

ORAL ORDER:

This writ petition is filed seeking a declaration that the seizure of 398.30 quintals of rice effected by the 2nd respondent under the panchanama dated 11.7.2007 as arbitrary and illegal.

Though various grounds have been raised assailing the impugned seizure and contending that the allegations in the panchanama dated 11.7.2007 are false and without any basis, I am not inclined to express any opinion on merits, since it is a matter for enquiry under 6A of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 pending before the 1st respondent. However, keeping in view the plea of the petitioner that though he made an application seeking release of the seized stock pending enquiry, the 1st respondent failed to consider the same, I deem it appropriate to dispose of the writ petition with a direction to the 1st respondent to consider the application of the petitioner for release of the seized stock and pass appropriate orders in accordance with law within a period of two weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. Till such time, there shall be stay of sale of seized stock. No costs.

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(G. ROHINI, J.)

6th August, 2007.
Issue CC in two days.
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Between:

Vanama Venugopala Rao. .. Petitioner.

And

Joint Collector (Civil Supplies),
Khammam District and others. .. Respondents.